REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-2, 9, 20 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being unpatentable by Rutkowski et al. (U.S. 6,198,442). Claims 3 and 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rutkowski et al.

Claims 4-8, 10-19, 21, and 24-27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Abstract of the Disclosure

Applicant is submitting a substitute Abstract of the Disclosure for that originally filed with this application to more clearly describe the claimed invention. Entry of the substitute Abstract of the Disclosure is respectfully requested.

Priority Document

Applicant is submitting herewith a certified copy of Taiwan application no. 091115782, filed July 16, 2002, together with a Claim to Priority. A proper Declaration was initially filed with this application on July 14, 2003. Acknowledgment of the receipt the certified priority document is respectfully requested.

<u>Drawings</u>

It is noted that no Patent Drawing Review (Form PTO-948) was received with the outstanding Office Action. Thus, Applicant must assume that the drawings are acceptable as filed.

Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claims 1-3, 9, 20 and 22-23 and has amended claims 4, 10, 11 and 21 of this application. It is believed that the amended claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 4-8, 10-19, 21, and 24-27 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant's amended claim 4 comprises a combination of original claims 1 and 4, thus redrafting claim 4 in independent form. Applicant's original claims 5-8 each depend from amended claim 4. Applicant's amended claim 10 comprises a combination of original claims 1, 9 and 10, thus redrafting claim 10 in independent form. Applicant's original claims 12-15 each Applicant's amended claim 11 comprises a depend from amended claim 4. combination of original claims 1, 9 and 11, thus redrafting claim 11 in independent form. Applicant's original claims 16-19 each depend from amended claim 11. Applicant's amended claim 21 comprises a combination of original claims 20 and 21, thus redrafting claim 21 in independent form. Applicant's original claims 24-27 each depend from amended claim 4. In the absence of any art cited against Applicant's original claims 4, 10, 11, or 21, it is not believed that any detailed discussion of the cited prior art references is necessary. Suffice to say that all of the claims remaining in this patent application contain subject matter against which no prior art citations have been made.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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